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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: SEVEN-YEAR SENTENCE FOR HIJACKER

MONTREAL FOR US REP ICAO

1. A SEVEN-YEAR PRISON SENTENCE WAS IMPOSED FEB. 5 BY A SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN COURT ON NAIM DJEMAL, DESCRIBED AS A NATURALIZED CANADIAN BORN IN CYPRUS, FOR ATTEMPTING HIJACKING. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, JUDGE IMPOSED LESS THAN MAXIMUM LIFE TERM BECAUSE OF PSYCHIATRIC REPORTS AND DEFENCE ATTORNEY'S CONTENTION THAT DJEMAL'S STATE OF MIND WAS SUCH THAT HE COULD NOT FORM THE INTENT TO COMMIT THE CRIME. "IT WAS JUST AN ACT OF MADNESS", THE ATTORNEY IS QUOTED AS SAYING.

2. THE INCIDENT TOOK PLACE NOVEMBER 29, 1974, BETWEEN WINNIPEG AND EDMONTON ON THE CP AIR WESTBOUND FLIGHT FROM MONTREAL TO VANCOUVER. AFTER THE HIJACKER WAS SUBDUED, THE AIRCRAFT MADE AN UNSCHEDULED STOP AT SASKATOON.

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EM COMMENT: ACCORDING TO CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY

AUTHORITIES AT MOT THIS IS THE FOURTH CASE IN RECENT YEARS IN WHICH A HIJACKER HAS BEEN TRIED AND SENTENCED TO JAIL IN CANADA. IN ADDITION, THERE HAVE BEEN TWO CASES IN WHICH THE HIJACKER WAS FOUND MENTALLY DEFICIENT AND REMANDED TO HOSPITAL.

4. IN THE VIEW OF THESE OFFICIALS, NO POLITICAL MOTIVATION WAS INVOLVED IN THIS CASE. HOWEVER, INVESTIGATION DISCLOSED THAT SEVERAL OF DJEMAL'S CLOSE RELATIVES HAD BEEN KILLED IN THE TURKISH-GREEK CLASHES OF LAST FALL IN CYPRUS AND HE HAD BECOME AWARE OF THIS A FEW DAYS PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 29.
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